## LAKE ORE TRADE.

Purchase of Modern Steel Vossels Causing Struggle

## BETWEEN PROMINENT FIRMS.

Federal, American Steel and Wire and Carnegie Companies Rivals. Probable Sale to the First Named Company of a Fleet of Five Vessels. Carnegie Company Forced to Undertake Transportation of a Large Part of its Ore.

CLEVELAND, O., March 23 .- The

Marine Review says:
"For several days past all manner of reports have been circulated regarding the efforts of the Federal Steel Company, the American Steel & Wire Company and the Carnegle Steel Company to purchase modern steel vessels for the ore trade. The struggle for supremacy between these large concerns will certainly bring about a further concentration of lake interests.

The most important announcement in this regard is the sale of two steel Pennsylvania and Texas, building at the works of the Cleveland Ship Building Company for A. B. Wilvin and others. The ownership of these vessels has been transferred to the office of Pickands, Masters & Co., Cleveland, but whether for the Federal Steel Company or for other interests represented in that office is not definitely known as yet. These vessels were probably not sold for less than \$275,000 each.

It is also more than probable that within the next few days announcement will be made of the sale to the Federal Steel Company of the five other steel steamers of the Wilvin fleet that are known as the Zenith Transit company ships, with a combined value of probably a million and a quarter dol-

"The American Steel & Wire Company has been negotiating for some time past for steel vessels to be added to the fleet which they secured in absorb ing the Cleveland Rolling Mill Company, and it has been said that the Carnegle company was bidding against the Federal Steel Company for the Wilvin fleet, but there is nathing official about this latter report.

It is the general opinion, however, that conditions like those now prevailing will force the Carnegie company to undertake on its own account the transportation of that part of its ore (a very large proportion) that is not provided by contract with John D. Rockefeller. sale of the Wilvin fleet undoubtedly means that Mr. Wilvin is to leave the lakes and take up for James J. Hill, of the Great Northern rallway, the establishment of a line of ships to the Orient from the terminals of the Great Northern on the Pacific coast.

#### Big Sale of Pig Iron.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., March 23.-Furnaces in the Mahoning valley have sold 130,000 tons of Bessemer pig iron this week at \$14 50 per ton at the furnace. The National Steel Company bought 90,000 tons; Carnegle Steel Company 20,-000 tons, and 20,000 tons were disposed of to other concerns. On account of being unable to secure pig iron in the open market in large enough quantities to supply their mill, the Brown Bonnell Iron Company has about decided to repair and "blow in" its Phoenix furnace, which has been idle for upwards of three years. The furnace will produce about 125 tons of pig iron per day.

## May Dissolve This Week.

WASHINGTON, March 23,-Advices from Cuba received by Senor Quesada, which he regards as trustworthy, are to the effect that the Cuban assembly will dissolve before the present week ends, probably on Saturday. Mr. Quesada regards this as a most satisfactory outcome as the dissolution is brought about voluntarily and without that agitation which enforced action might have caused. It will clear the way, in his judgment, to a pacific adjustment of the affairs of Cuba.

Got a Long Sentence.

CARROLLTOWN, Ill., March 23 .- In the trial of Frank Ainsworth, who in an attempted hold up of a night express train on the Chicago, Burlington & Quiney, shot and killed Engineer Fred Dempsey, the jury has returned a verdict of guilty and fixed the penalty at forty-nine years in the penitentiary.

## Catarrh is Not Incurable

But it can not be cured by sprays, washes and inhaling mixtures which reach only the surface. The disease is in the blood, and can only be reached through the blood. S. S. B. is the only remedy which can have any effect upon Catarrh; it cures the disease permanently and forever rids the system of every trace of the vile complaint.

Miss Josie Owen, of Montpeller, Ohio, writes: "I was af-



Miss Josie Owen, of Montpeller, Ohio, writes: "I was afficted from infaury with Catarrh, and no one can know the suffering it produces better than I. The sprays and washes prescribed by the doctors relieved me only temporarily, and though I used them constantly for ten years, the disease had a firmer hold than ever. I tried a number of blood remedies, but their mineral ingredients settled in my bones and gave me rhoumatism. I was in a lamentable condition, and after exhausting all treatment, was deciared incurable.

hausting all treatment, was declared incurable. Seeing S. S. S. advertised as a cure for blood specing 5. 3. 5. Activities as a cute of adout diseases, I decided to try it. As soon as my system was under the effect of the medicine. I began to improve, and after taking it for two months I was cured completely, the dreadful disease was eradicated from my system, and I have had no return of it."

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will prove it to be the right remedy for Catarrh. It will cure the most obstinate case.

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Mrs. Rosa Gaum Writes to Mrs. Pinkham About it. She Says:

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:-I take pleasure in writing you a few lines to inform you of the good your Vegetable Compound has done me. I cannot thank you enough for what your medicine has done for me; it has, indeed, helped me wonderfully.

For years I was trou-bled with an ovarian tumor, each year growing worse, unwas compelled to consult with a physician. He said

nothing could be done for

me but to go under an operation.

In speaking with a friend of mine about it, she recommended Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, saying she knew it would cure me. I then sent for your medicine, and after taking three bottles of it, the tumor disappeared. Oh! you do not know how much good your medicine has done me. I shall recommend it to all suffer-ing women.—Mrs. Rosa Gaum, 720 Wall St., Los Angeles, Cal.

The great and unvarying success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in relieving every derangement of the female organs, demonstrates it to be the modern safeguard of woman's happiness and bodily strength. More than a million women have been benefited by it.

Every woman who needs advice about her health is invited to write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass.

The attempted hold up took place at White Hall, in this county, June 24, last. When the engineer falled to comply with Ainsworth's commands the latter shot and fled. His partner, William Jackson, turned state's evidence.

#### Iown to be Repaired.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.-The battleship Iowa will at once be taken to the Union Iron Works, where she will remain about six weeks while being repaired. Her boilers will re re-tubed and her cylinders overhauled. It is understood that she will then go to Fort Orchard to be docked and have bilge keels put on preparatory to going to Manila to relieve the Oregon, which may come home to be docked.

The new dry dock at Mare Island will be big enough to take in the largest ship in the navy or under construction. It will be 750 feet long, 80 feet wide and will have at least 30 feet of water over the sill at mean high tide.

#### Another Iron Combine. CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 23 .- The

Iron Trade Review says:

The movement to consolidate western and southern rolling mills has made headway in the past week, and nearly all the necessary options have been secured. Less outside money will be invested, proportionately, than in other recent iron and steel combines. promoters announce that organization will probably be effected within the next two weeks. The capital proposed is \$15,000,000 and thirty-six western mills, large and small, fit and unfit, are in-cluded in the plan. Chicago and Cleveland are both discussed as probable headquarters.

## Death of Mexican Veteran.

NORFOLK, Va., March 23.-Major James F. Milligan, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, is dead at his home in this city, aged seventy years. He resigned as midshipman in the United States navy and personally tendered his services to President Jefferson Davis, of the Southern Confederacy. and was placed in charge of a signal corps that operated in this section and along the James river.

He was a Republican and held office as inspector of hulls under several administrations.

## Scarcity of Workmen.

NEWCOMERSTOWN, O., March 23 .-An unusual condition prevails here in that sufficient men cannot be secured by the local manufacturers. The James B. Clow & Sons pipe works, the Novelty brick and tile works and the Buckhan non Coal Company are hiring everybody in town who will accept work and still they are unable to meet their demands. The business boom is most pronounced.

## Large Block of Marble.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 23.-Professor Yeates, of the Geological survey, has been advised that a marble block weighing something over 100,000 pounds has been successfully removed from a quarry at Marble Hill, Ga., and started on its way to New York. The marble is almost pure white and measures 27 feet 2 inches long by four feet three inches wide, and is believed to be the largest block quarried in modern times.

## Guests Escape.

THOMASVILLE, Ga., March 23.-Fire starting about 2 a, m. destroyed the opera house and three or four other buildings. Loss about \$40,000. large Piney Woods hotel, filled with northern guests, escaped uninjured after an exciting night for its inmates. The Hanna cottage, where the President is staying, is a mile away.

Has Admiral Spotts' Remains. VALPARAISO, Chile, March 23.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Badger has arrived here, having on board the exhumed remains of Rear Admiral James H. Spotts, U. S. N., who died at Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, in 1882, The Badger is on her way to San Fran-

## A Thousand Tongues

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#### ARBITRATION SCHEME

For Settlement of International Disputes to be Advocated. NEW YORK, March 23.-A special

from Washington says: There is reason to believe that an important proposition looking to the settlement of international disputes by ar-bitration will be advanced at the coming disarmament conference by the delerates.

the credentials for and instructions to the American delegates are now being prepared by Secretary Hay and will be ready for submission to the President for his approval when he returns to Washington from his southern trip. These instructions will be a complete exposition of the attitude of this government on the question of disarmament and arbitration.

Following the policy which it seems likely that all the nations will adopt, President McKinley will accredit the minister to the Netherlands as one of the American delegates. Ambassadors White and Tower will probably be the other two members of the American delegation.

The administration is strongly favor of arbitration as the means for the settlement of disputes between nations, and while it approciates that there are a number of controversies that can only be settled by war, it is still believed that many questions which arise and are causes of much friction can be arbitrated.

#### STETSON'S MILLIONS

Being Fought for by a Woman who

Caims to be his Daughter. KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 23.—Interest in the claim to the \$2,000,000 estate of the late John Statson, of Boston, which is soon to be contested by Mrs. Katherine Shirley, of this city, has been revived by the appearance here of a Boston lawyer and a woman detective, who, Mrs. Shirley asserts, are working in the interest of the Stetson relatives.

Mrs. Shirley claims to be the daughter of Kate Stokes, a former circus rider and actress, who married John Stetson. Both Stetson and his wife died in Boston without leaving wills. According to Mrs. Shirley, the Stetson relatives are trying to show that she (Mrs. Shirley) is not such, but the former wife of L. R. Hitchcock, formerly of Toronto, Canada, Dayton, O., and Chicago, and later assistant city assessor of Kansas City. The woman detective, Mrs. Shirley claims, has become very obnoxious of late by following her from place to Several hotel scenes have replace. sulted, the climax finally coming when Mrs. Shirley brought weight to bear to have the detective ousted from the hotel, which was done. The suit, she claims, will be pushed in Boston.

#### Don't Give up.

Many weak men who had given up all hope of ever getting back their lost strength and vigor have been made well and happy by the simple act of consulting Dr. Greene, 35 West 14th St., New York City, the famous specialist, so widely known for his wonderful success in curing diseases. They were very sick but they did not give up but resorted to Dr. Greene's wonderful treatment. Now here is an important fact. You can consult Dr. Greene by letter, free, and get his advice without cost. A rare chance! If you have lost vigor and that vitality the possession of which makes life worth living, write at once to Dr. Greene and depend upon it you will never regret it. will never regret it.

## Using Brass Tipped Bullets

NEW YORK, March 23 .- A special from Washington says: Reports received at the war department from the medical officers serving with troops in the Philippines, show that Aguinaldo's army is using brass-tipped bullets.

Several American soldiers have been wounded by the poisonous projectiles, and in consequence the wounds are more difficult to heal than those caused by the ordinary bullet. Of course the authorities can do nothing to prevent the insurgents using any kind of bullets they see fit. They have no government to which an appeal can be made. Their action in this respect, officials say, is another indication of their utter unfitness for self government.

## School Furniture Combine.

NORTHVILLE, Mich., March 23 .-The Globe Furniture Company, of Northville, has sold its plant and bustness to the American School Furniture Company, New York, a recently organized corporation with a capital of \$10,-000,000. Sixteen other concerns manu facturing the same line of goods are also members. The Globe company is the oldest firm of the kind in the United States. It is said the change in ownership will not affect the local man-

## At the Breakfast Table.

Harlem Life: "What made you start and look so frightened?" asked Mrs. Small of the star boarder. "Gee whiz! I could almost swear that I saw that sausage on the dish move when the boy in the street whistled."

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#### BENWOOD NEWS.

Local Happenings of Importance in a Busy Town.

Busy Town.

Messrs. Leach and Lineberger, the committee canvassing the town in support of the movement to wipe out the debt on the M. E. church are meeting with good success. The congregation has made a gallant fight of it for several years to clear the debt away, but the debt, never small, is still a fair size, yet the congregation has been reducing it little by little year by year, and the workers have now the satisfaction of knowing the end is in sight. No church building in Benwood is so close to the hearts of the people, for it is always thrown open generously to the public on accasions when no other place in town is large enough or convenient.

The steelworkers at the lower mill

The steelworkers at the lower mill The steelworkers at the lower mill will probably meet to-morrow evening, to consider the scale proposed by Manager Hubbard and submitted to the committee a few days ago. The scale is not as liberal as the men wanted, but all are pleased, however, at the increase offered, an increase averaging 10 per cent at least. The old scale expires to-morrow.

Thompson & Hawkins yesterday bought out the grocery store conducted by Vance Brothers. The new firm is qualified for the business and will likely entoy a liberal trade

John Lowe, the Baltimore & Ohio freight conductor, was well and favorably known in Benwood and general regret was expressed over his untimely death.

The Daughters of Pocahonias are na-ticipating a banner crowd for the unique entertainment they propose giv-ing, Monday evening, April 3. Misses Hattle Satterfield and Maggie Brennan will go to Steubenville to-morrow, on a visit to friends in the up-the-river city.

#### BELLAIRE HAFPENINGS.

Matters of Interest in the Metropolis of Belmont County.

Black Prince lodge, K. of P., celebra-ted their twenty-fifth anniversary at their hall last night. A number of visi-tors were present, and some good speeches were made. A pig roast was on the bill of fare.

G. Walters & Company are contem-plating number in a new front in their

plating putting in a new front in their place of business on Belmont street. Miss Gertrude Darrah, of St. Clairs-ville, is the guest of the family of D. H. Darrah, on Union street.

Rev. J. T. Foster will preach his fare-well sermon at the Trinity Episcopal church, Sunday evening.

Mrs. James Fitton will leave to-mor-row for Barnesville, to spend a few days with her parents.

Mrs. D. H. Rice will build a double frame house at the corner of Jefferson and Forty-eight street.

Miss Ella Stewart, of Steubenville, is visiting her friend, Miss Anna Witty, in the Fifth ward.

D. D. DuBois is home spending two weeks with his parents, from college at New Concord. Oscar Terry was taken to St. Clairs ville yesterday, to serve out a fine of \$20

and costs. James Cline, of Dunkirk, Ind., is the guest of relatives in the Second ward. Miss Ella Monroe, of Toledo, is the guest of relatives in the First ward. Miss Elsie Dunning, of Hunter, is vis-iting relatives in the Fourth ward.

Mrs. J. M. Boyd is confined to her ome with an attack of the grip. Virgil Brown will open a barber shop

#### MOUNDSVILLE BUDGET. Yesterday's News From Marshall

County's Chief City.

The case of D. C. Harkinson vs. E. S. Davis, both of Cameron, which has been on trial all week, will be turned over to the jury some time this forenoon.

Secretary Keyser, of the Wheeling weaving mill company, was in the city yesterday, in the interests of his com-Miss Lou Wilson has returned to her

home in Charleston, after a visit with Miss Dalsy Catlett, of Seventh street. Mrs. Mardotha Mason will open a restaurant and bakery on Jefferson av-enue, in a few days.

Mr. D. M. Goddard, of Silver Hill, Wetzel county, was a business caller in the city yesterday.

Lester Rodgers paid a flying visit to his old home at Wood Hill yesterday evening. S. H. Bonar will leave for Proctor this morning to lay out some town lots.

Miss Virginia Shaffer is the guest of friends and relatives at Kingwood.

Mrs. Lawrence O'Connell, of Tomlin-son avenue, is sick with the grip. The W. C. T. U. will meet in regular session at their hall to-night.

Mr. Miller, of Cambridge, Ohio, is the must of friends in the city. W. D. Cheadle was a business calle in Wheeling yesterday.

Rev. L. W. Barr, of Fairmont, is in the city.

Railroad Across the English Channel. Railroad Across the English Channel.

The English parliament is considering the plan of connecting that country with France by railway. Engineers say a road bed can be laid on the bottom of the English channel and by mounting trestlework on wheels, so that it projects above the water, the railway can be operated. This seems beyond belief but it is perhaps no more remarkable than some of the cures accomplished by Hostetter's Stomach Bitters in bad cases of dyspepsia, indigestion and constipation. This is an age of wonderful achievements.

## In a bad Rlight. NEW YORK, March 22,-The 27 col-

red families, numbering 104 persons in all, who are stranded in Jersey City after having come from the west to go to Liberia as is alleged under a contract with the International Migration Society, were notified to-day by the Central ety, were notified to-day by the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey that they would have to leave the railroad cars in which they have remained since their arrival in Jersey City, It is claimed that the International Migration Society promised to send these people to Liberia and that they have failed to carry out the promise. Most of them are destitute and their condition is pitiable.

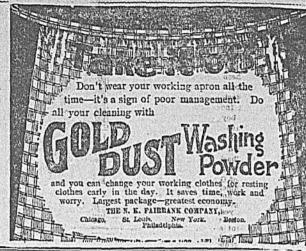
#### Porter Wont Discuss it. PARIS, March 22.-Gen. Horace Por-

FARIS, March 22.—Gen. Horace Porter, the United States ambassador, answering an inquiry of a correspondent of the Associated Press this afternoon, said he was unable to discuss the rumors to the effect that he may succeed Gen. Alger as secretary of war, as all information on the subject ought to come from Washington.

I HAVE been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years, and nothing seemed to give me any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of, and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—Josh Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by druggists.

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